


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Sir:

The following is in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated December 14, 2007. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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